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A Landscape of Interval Life-like Freezing Cellular Automata

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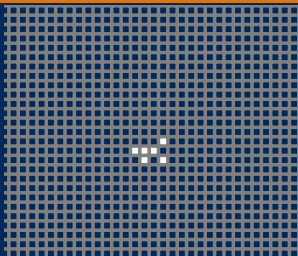
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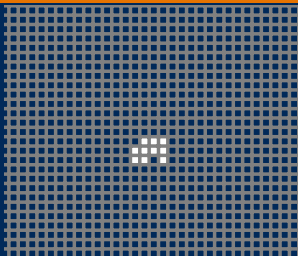
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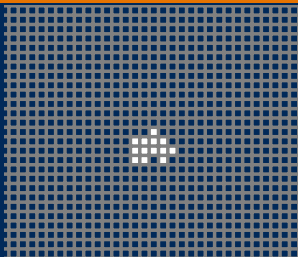
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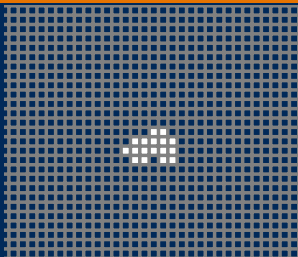
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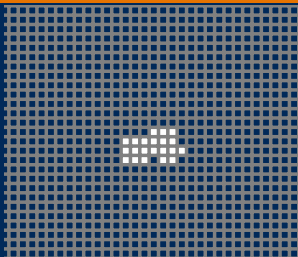
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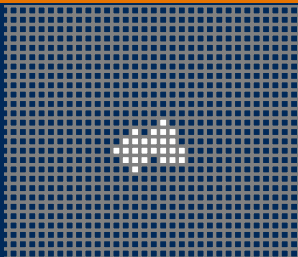
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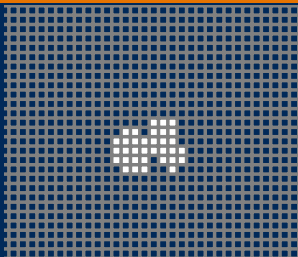
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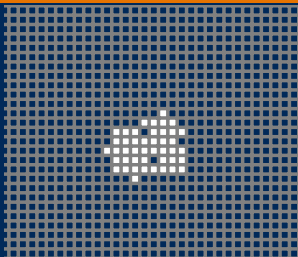
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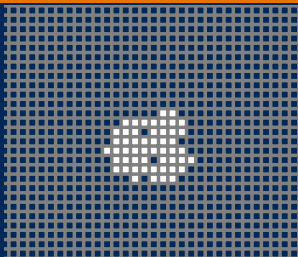
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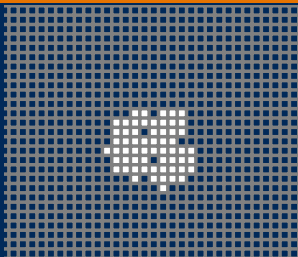
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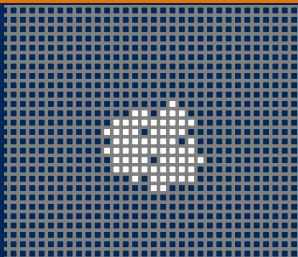
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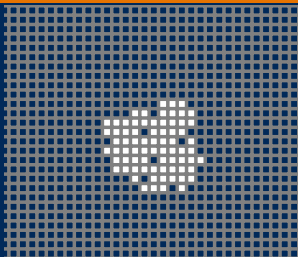
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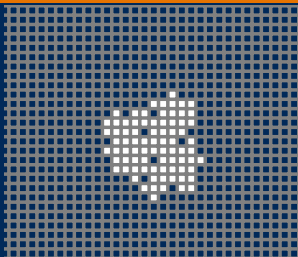
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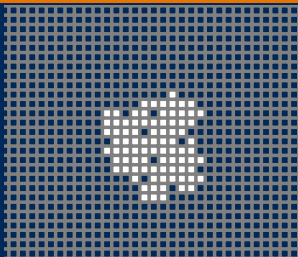
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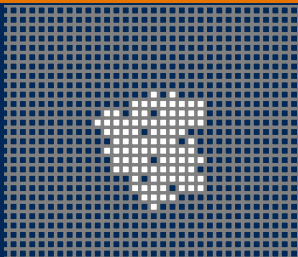
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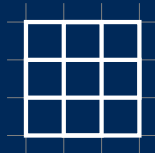
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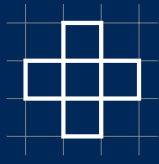


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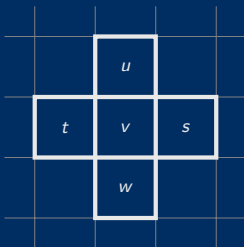
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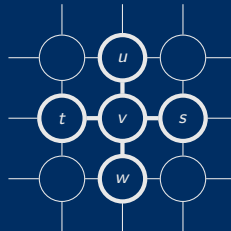
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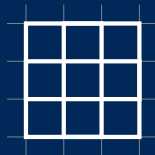


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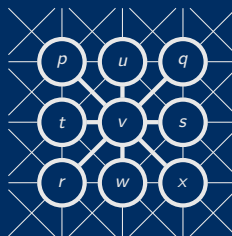
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Questions

How complex are FCA in restricted environments?

How increase the complexity if the neighborhood increase?

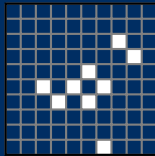
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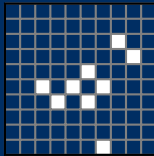
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- ▶ To Study FCA two states, von Neumann neighborhood and totalistic. (Previous work)
- ▶ To Study FCA two states, Moore neighborhood and Life-like. (This exploration)

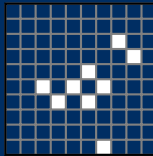
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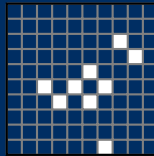
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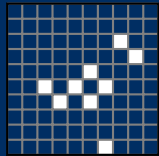
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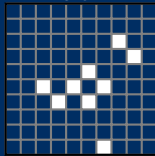
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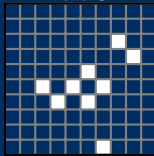
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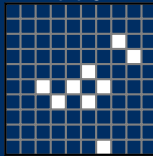
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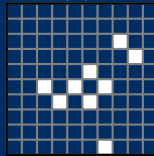
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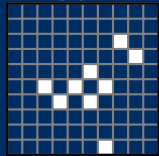
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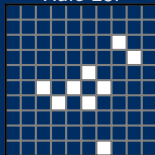
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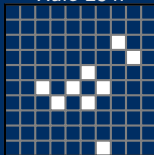
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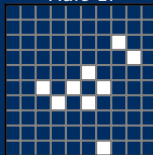
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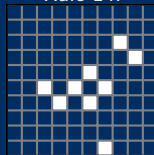
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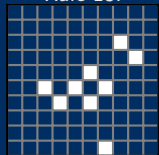
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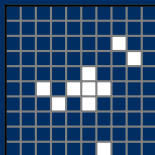
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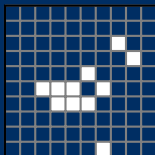
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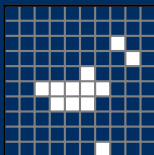
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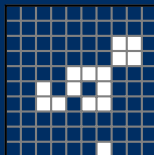
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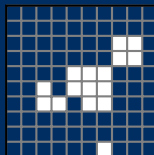
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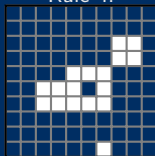
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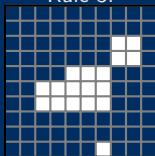
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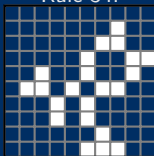
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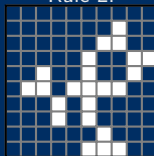
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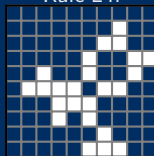
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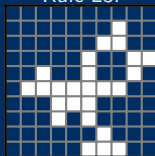
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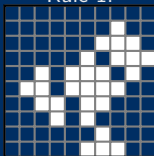
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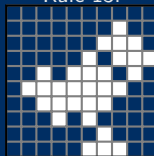
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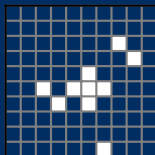
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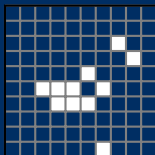
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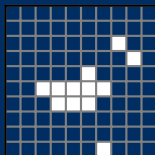
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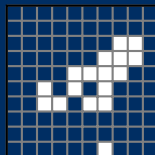
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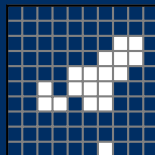
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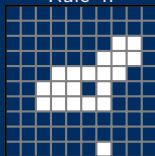
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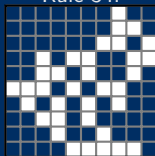
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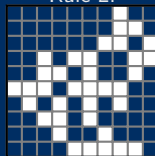
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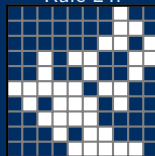
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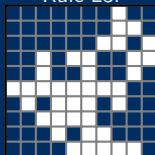
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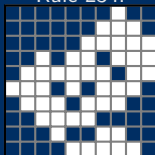
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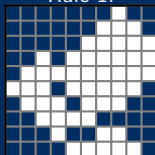
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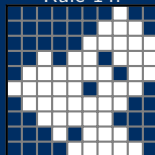
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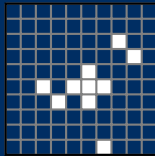
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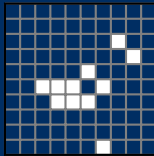
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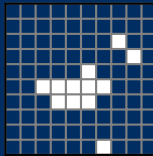
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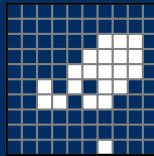
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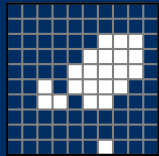
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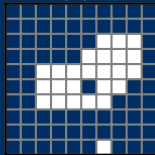
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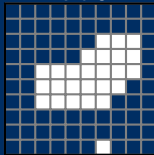
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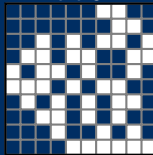
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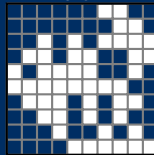
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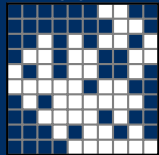
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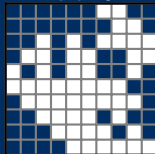
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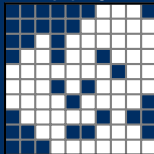
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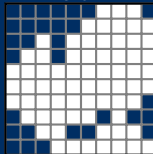
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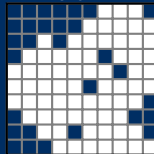
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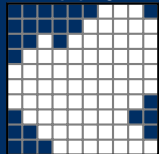
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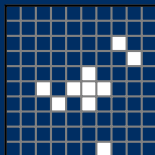
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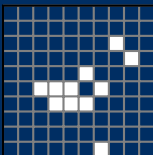
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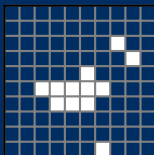
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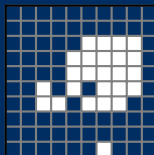
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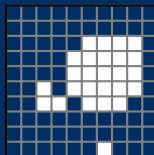
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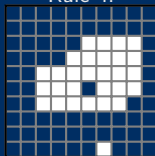
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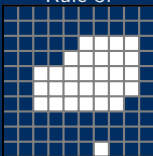
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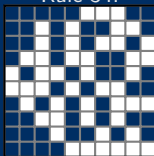
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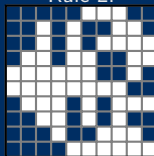
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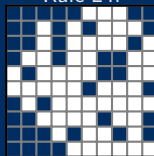
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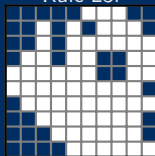
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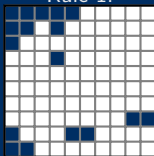
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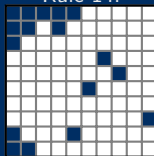
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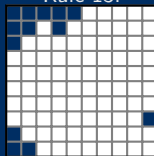
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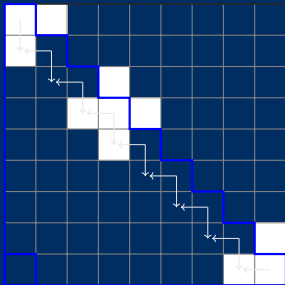


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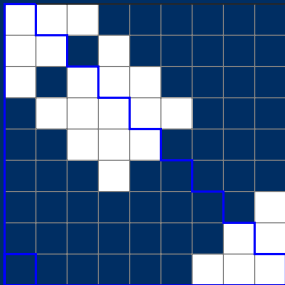
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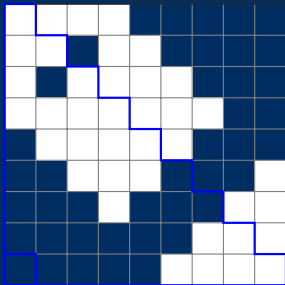
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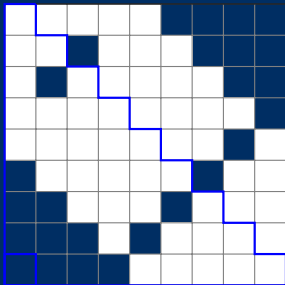
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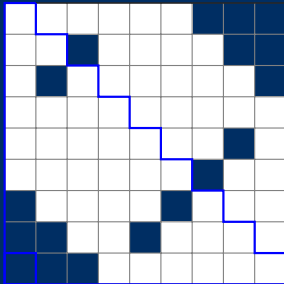
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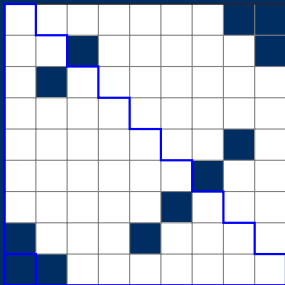
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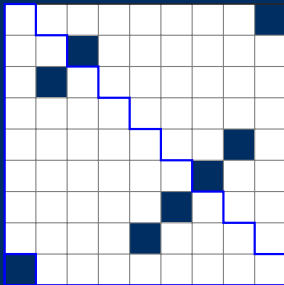
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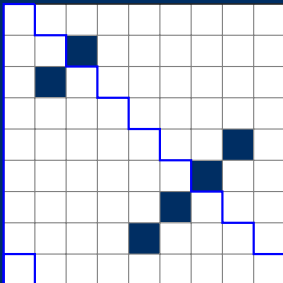
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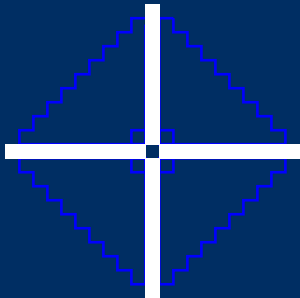
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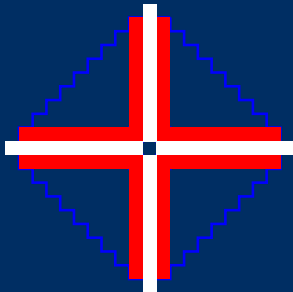
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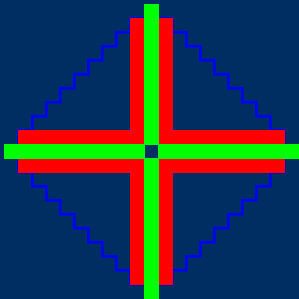
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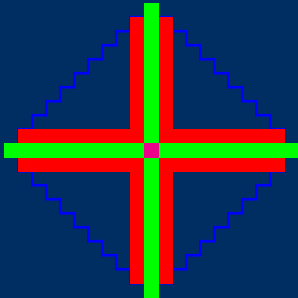
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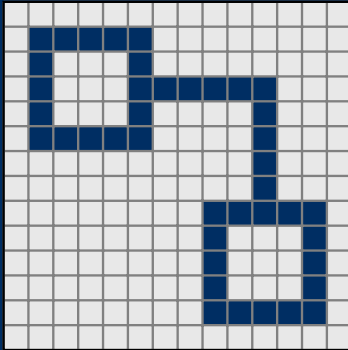
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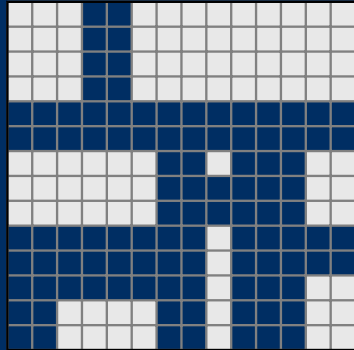
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Non Strict majority (Rule 234)



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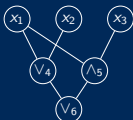
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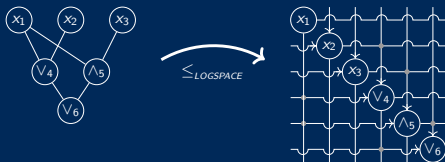
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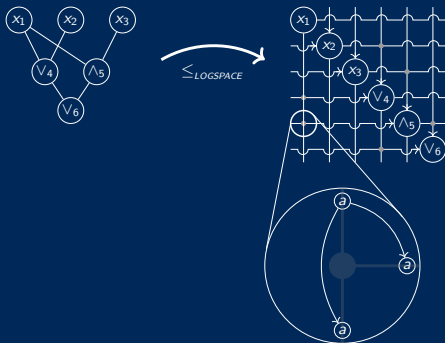
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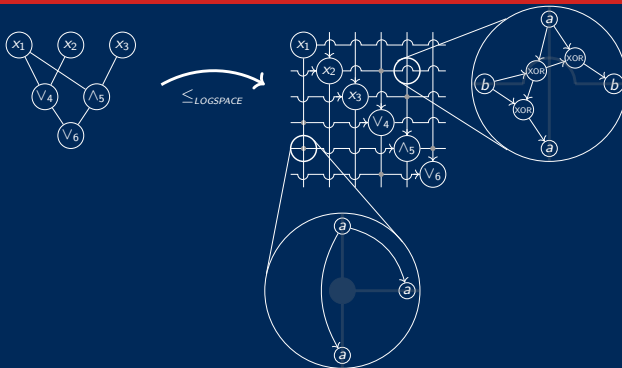
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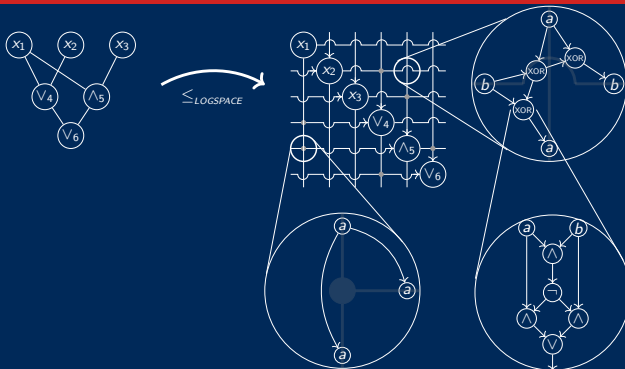
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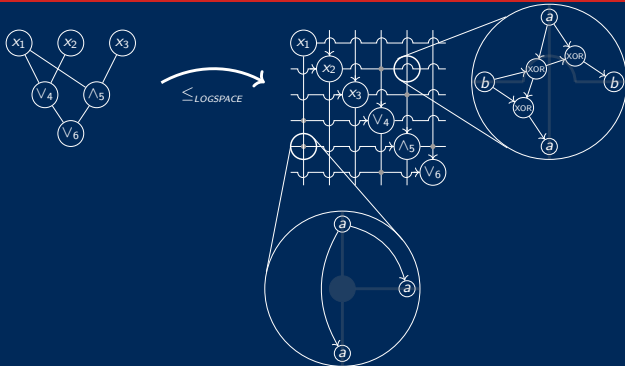
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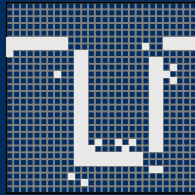
Corollary

Monotone-XOR Planar Circuit value is P-complete.

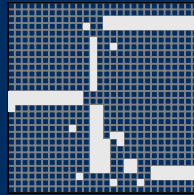
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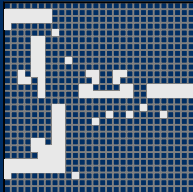
P-completeness *à la* Banks.



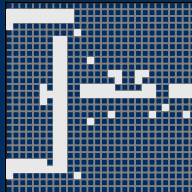
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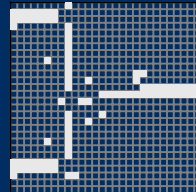
Duplicator



AND gate



OR gate



XOR gate

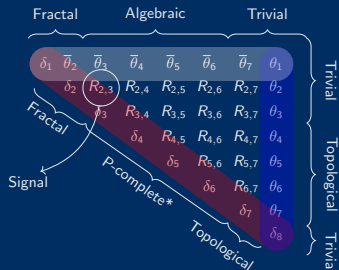
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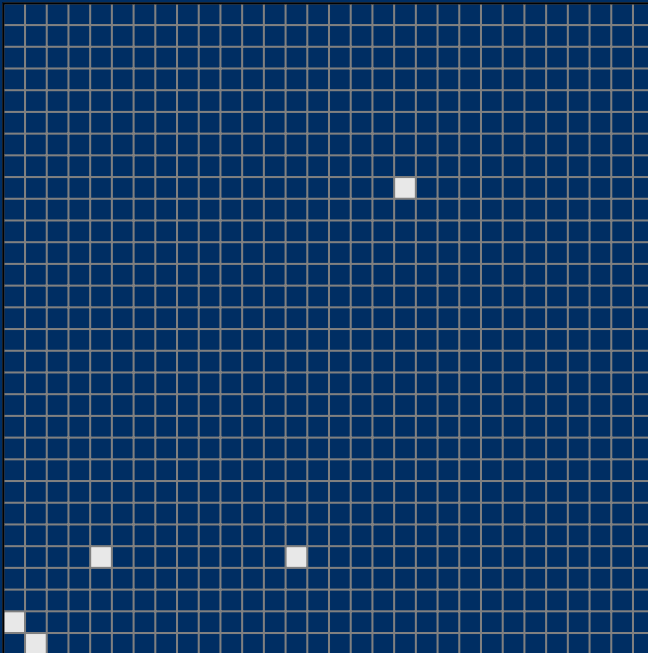
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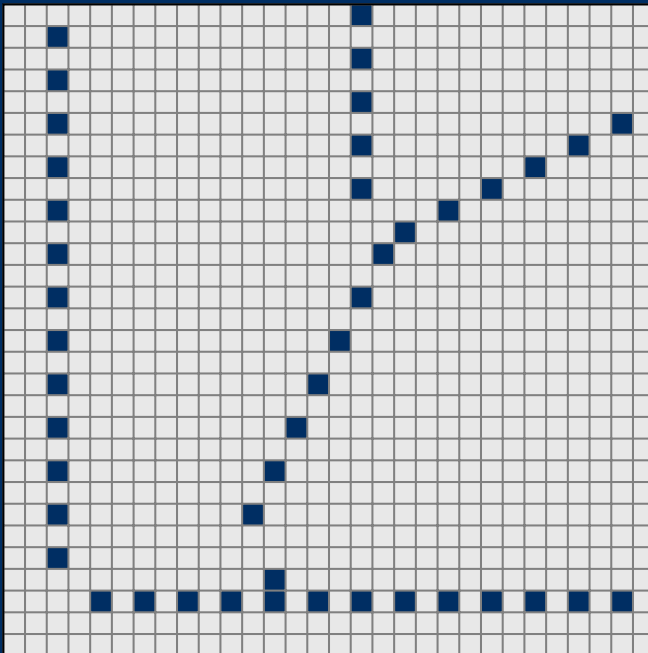
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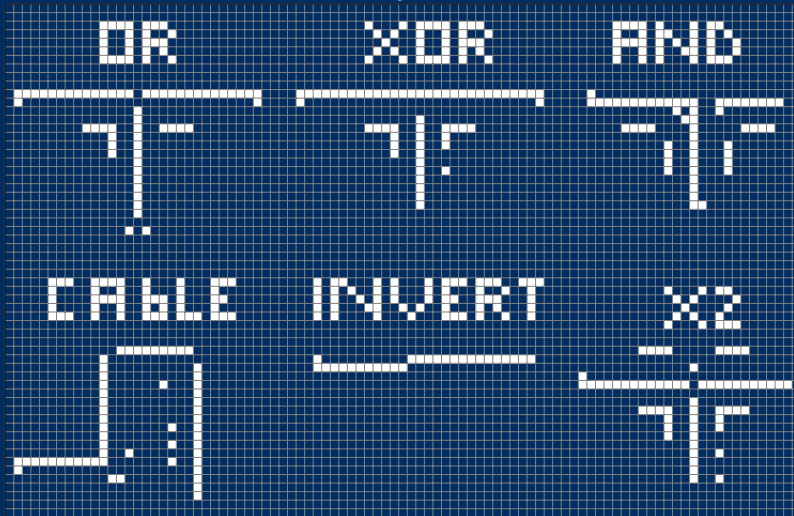
$$c_{(i,j)} = 1 \vee c_{(i,j)} = 0 \wedge a \leq \sum_{v \in (i,j)+N} c_v \leq b$$

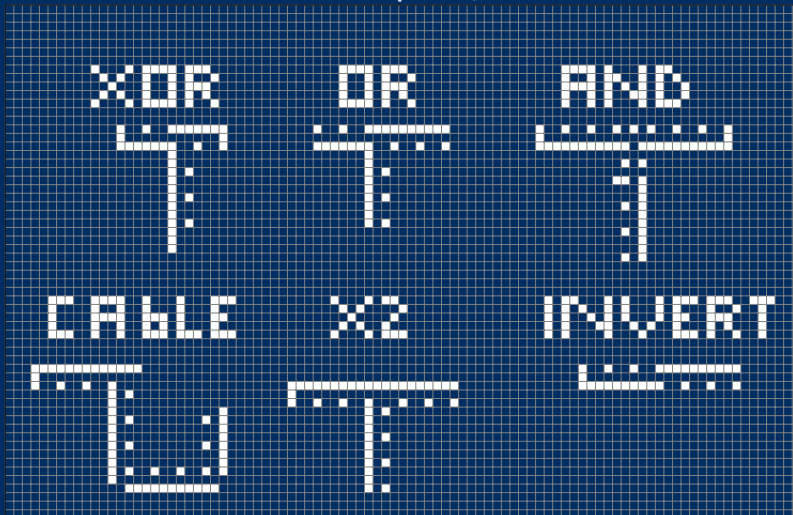
- We will call these CA $R_{i,j}$. e.g. the Life without Death is $R_{3,3}$.
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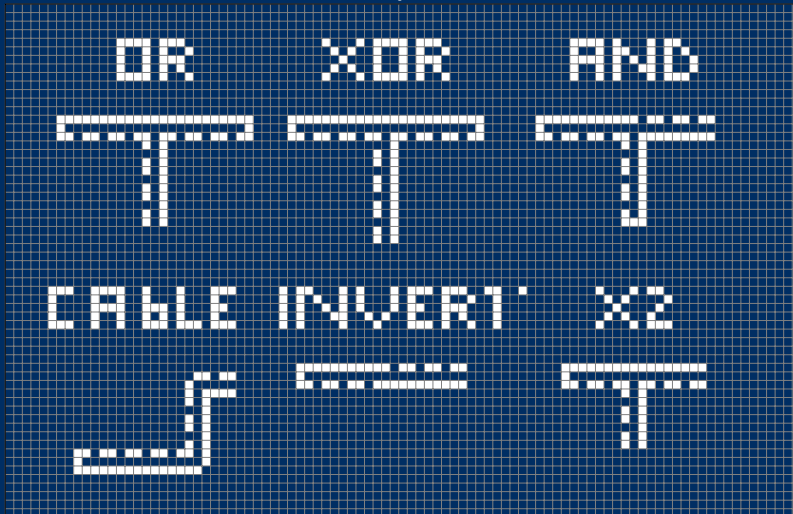






P-complete δ_4 

P-complete δ_5 

P-complete δ_6 

P-complete δ_7

A cell changes if has 7 active neighbors, or has single signal arriving alone. 2 signals arriving simultaneously stabilizes the cell.



Two signals stabilizing a cell.



No stable configuration.

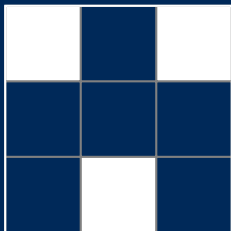
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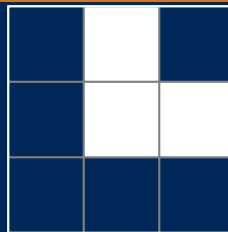
Threshold θ_2

If there are 2 cells sharing a neighborhood, then every cell changes.

Threshold θ_3



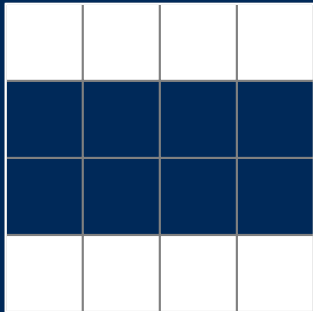
Spreading configuration.



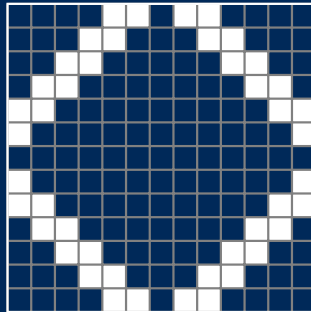
Non-spreading configuration.

Threshold θ_4 (non strict majority)

A cell is stable if it has 5 stable neighbors.



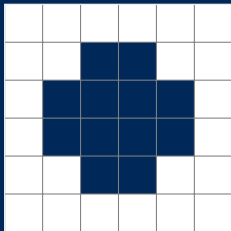
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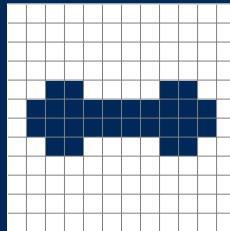
Stable configuration in a non 5-connected component.

Threshold θ_5 (strict majority)

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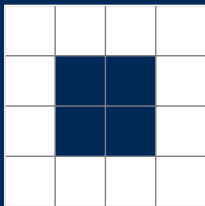
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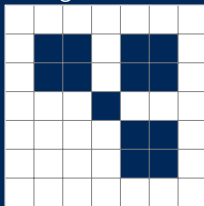
Two bounded stable configuration stabilizing a non-stabilized pattern.

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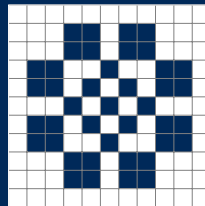
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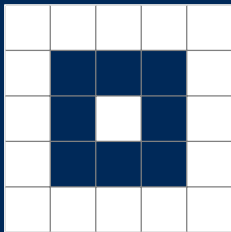
3 bounded stable configuration stabilizing a center cell.



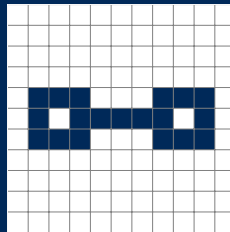
8 bounded stable configuration stabilizing a non-stabilized pattern.

Threshold θ_7

A cell is stable if it has 2 stable neighbors.



Bounded stable configuration.



2 bounded stable configuration stabilizing a path.

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